## RULE 16.8 PERSONAL RESTRAINT PETITION -FILING AND SERVICE

- (a) Filing Fee. A personal restraint petition will be filed by the clerk of the appellate court only if the statutory filing fee is paid, unless the appellate court determines that the petitioner is unable to pay the filing fee. The statute requiring payment of a fee for filing a petition for writ of habeas corpus is controlling.
- (b) Filing in Court of Appeals. A personal restraint petition filed in the Court of Appeals must be filed in the division which includes the superior court entering the decision on the basis of which petitioner is held in custody or, if petitioner is not being held in custody on the basis of a decision, in the division in which the petitioner is located.
- (c) Service of Petition. If petitioners restraint is imposed by the state or local government, the clerk of the appellate court will reproduce a copy of the petition and serve the petition on the officer or agency under a duty to respond to the petition. If petitioners restraint is imposed by a person or agency other than the state or local government, the petitioner must prepare and serve a copy of the petition on the proper respondent.

## References

RCW 2.32.070, Fees--Supreme Court clerk, clerks of Court of Appeals.